

**No. R-93. House concurrent resolution honoring John P. Dumville for his 36 years of exemplary service as Vermont's State Owned Historic Sites Section Chief.**

(H.C.R.60)

Offered by: All Members of the House

Offered by: All Members of the Senate

Whereas, Vermont is home to significant historic sites that preserve the story of its founding and major military battles, recognize the importance of Lake Champlain in war and peace, and honor leading individuals in our State's and nation's history, and

Whereas, from 1978–2014, John P. Dumville was the innovative and dynamic State Owned Historic Sites Section Chief, serving as the first full-time person in this role, and

Whereas, John P. Dumville earned a master's degree in history from the University of Vermont and was an original enrollee in the university's graduate program in historic preservation, and

Whereas, he oversaw Vermont's historic sites during the terms of five governors and kept the sites vital reminders of Vermont's past, and

Whereas, under John P. Dumville's competent leadership, the Division for Historic Preservation implemented the Heritage '91 plan that resulted in major improvements at the Hubbardton Battlefield, the Bennington Battle Monument, and the Old Constitution House; led to the opening of the Chimney Point site; and prompted the installation of new exhibitions at the Justin Smith Morrill Homestead, and

Whereas, the opening of Mount Independence's visitor center and museum and the expansion of the museum and education center at the President Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site occurred due to John P. Dumville's central role in these projects, and

Whereas, his professional expertise was welcomed on the boards of the Vermont Historical Society, the Vermont Museum and Gallery Alliance, and the Vermont Attractions Association, and

Whereas, John P. Dumville is a hands-on historic preservationist, personally having restored four historic houses and helping others in this exciting process, and

Whereas, the town of Royalton greatly benefited from John P. Dumville's civic contributions as a selectboard member, planning commissioner, and justice of the peace and in many other community roles, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly honors John P. Dumville for his 36 years of exemplary service as State Owned Historic Sites Section Chief, and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send a copy of this resolution to John P. Dumville and to the Division for Historic Preservation.